

# **MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF ELECTRICAL APPEALS**

**January 8, 2008 - 3:00 p.m.**

**OFFICE OF CENTRAL INSPECTION  
CITY HALL, 455 NORTH MAIN  
OCI CONFERENCE ROOM, 7th FLOOR**

Chairman Roy Meinhardt called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm, with Board members Harold Ragland, Dale Johnson, John Whittit, Shane Chapman, Dave Urban, and Scott Alder present. Also present were inspectors Steve Schauner and Chris Nordick.

The minutes of the November 13, 2007 meeting were read. Board member Whittit made a motion the minutes be approved as written, it was seconded by Board member Ragland and approved.

The recent examination results from Experior Assessments for electrical examinations administered by their office for City of Wichita approved applicants were presented to the Board. The results were as follows:

<b>APPLICANT NAME</b>	<b>APPLICANT NUMBER</b>	<b>EXAMINATION CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>EXAMINATION RESULT</b>
Joel Silvers	2129	Master	Failed
Michael Cooper	4056	Journeyman	Failed
Adam Drake	3570	Journeyman	Failed
Kent Felkins	6126	Journeyman	Failed
Sirr Harryman	9110	Journeyman	Failed
Isaza Hill	6989	Journeyman	Failed
Richard Pfannenstiel	8322	Journeyman	Failed
Jason Phillips	0879	Journeyman	Failed

Two (2) Master Electrician, five (5) Journeyman Electrician and two (2) Residential Wireman Electrician applications were reviewed for approval to be administered the appropriate examination for certification. The results were as follows:

<b>NAME</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Brian Davis	6169	Master	Approved
Joel Silvers	2129	Master	Approved
Daniel Benage	5876	Journeyman	Approved
Joshua Hopkins	5883	Journeyman	Approved
Adam Drake	3570	Journeyman	Approved
Lucas Waller	6852	Journeyman	Approved
Keith Leis	0385	Journeyman	Approved
Terry Rowe	5679	Res. Journeyman	Approved
Alden Gilbert	6924	Res. Journeyman	Approved

Under part A of the new business section of the agenda, the Board welcomed Ron Black and Doug Grosch of Atlas Electric. Mr. Black said they are requesting a variance to the city ordinance and that his six expired electrical permits that were issued for the central corridor railroad project, be reinstated without a fee and remain active, without an expiration date, through the remainder of the project. Mr. Black said he did not have control over the time frame of the project and felt that it was not fair that he would need to purchase the permits a second time.

Secretary Kerschen explained that Title 19 Section 19.08.170 of the Wichita city ordinance states that "Every permit issued by the building official under the provisions of this code shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the work authorized by the permit is not commenced within one hundred eighty days from the date of such permit, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the work is commenced, for a period of one hundred eighty days, or one hundred eighty days has expired since an inspection, as required in Section 19.12.020 of this code, was requested and such inspection was approved by the building authority." Secretary Kerschen explained to the Board that the permits were reopened in May of 2007 with no fee charged and had now expired a second time.

The Board thanked Mr. Black and Mr. Grosch for attending and told them they would be notified in writing by Secretary Kerschen of their decision.

The Board continued the discussion of the variance and reviewed the documents submitted by Mr. Black and seen the permits were issued on March 31, 2006. The permit prices changed on April 1, 2006 which would make the permits several hundred dollars more to re-issue today. Board member Ragland made a motion to require new permits but that the fees of the new permits not exceed that of the original permits. Board member Whittit seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Part B of the new business section of the agenda was cancelled as Attorney Dickgrafe could not attend and asked to be placed on the agenda for the February 12, 2008 meeting.

Under part C of the new business section of the agenda, the Board started the review of the major changes in the 2008 National Electrical Code (NEC). The Board reviewed the changes in Chapter 1 and started the review of Chapter 2. The Board also discussed the time frame for reviewing the NEC and Board member Whittit made a motion to have additional Board meetings on January 22, February 26 and March 25, 2008 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. Board member Urban seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

With no other business to conduct, Board member Alder made a motion to adjourn. Board member Ragland seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned.

The time was 4:58 pm.

Tom Kerschen, Secretary,  
Board of Electrical Appeals